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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Food Safety and Inspection Service

[Docket No. FSIS-2013-0016]

Notice of Request for Extension of a Currently Approved Information Collection: Public Health Information System - Animal Disposition Reporting

AGENCY: Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 and Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations, the Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS) is announcing its intention to request extension of an information collection for data on meat, poultry, exotic animal, and rabbit slaughter for the Public Health Information System - Animal Disposition Reporting because the information collection approval is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2013.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received on or before [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE].

ADDRESSES: FSIS invites interested persons to submit comments on this notice. Comments may be submitted by one of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: This Web site provides the ability to type short comments directly into the comment field on this Web page or attach a file for lengthier comments. Go to <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the on-line instructions at that site for submitting comments.

- Mail, including CD-ROMs, etc.: Send to Docket Clerk, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Food Safety and Inspection Service, Patriots Plaza 3, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Mailstop 3782, Room 8-163A, Washington, DC 20250-3700.

- Hand- or courier-delivered submittals: Deliver to Patriots Plaza 3, 355 E. Street SW, Room 8-163A, Washington, DC 20250-3700

Instructions: All items submitted by mail or electronic mail must include the Agency name and docket number FSIS-2013-0016. Comments received in response to this docket will be made available for public inspection and posted without change, including any personal information, to <http://www.regulations.gov>.

DOCKET: For access to background documents or comments received, go to the FSIS Docket Room at Patriots Plaza 3, 355 E. Street, Room 8-164, Washington, DC 20250-3700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Contact John O'Connell,  
Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, Food Safety and  
Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW,  
Room 6065, South Building, Washington, DC 20250; (202) 720-  
0345.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Public Health Information System - Animal  
Disposition Reporting.

Type of Request: Extension of an approved information  
collection.

OMB Control Number: 0583-0139.

Expiration Date: 6/30/2013.

Abstract: FSIS has been delegated the authority to  
exercise the functions of the Secretary of Agriculture (7  
CFR 2.18, 2.55) as specified in the Federal Meat Inspection  
Act (FMIA) (21 U.S.C. 601, et seq.) and the Poultry  
Products Inspection Act (PPIA) (21 U.S.C. 451, et seq.).  
FSIS protects the public by verifying that meat and poultry  
products are wholesome, not adulterated, and properly  
marked, labeled, and packaged. FSIS also inspects exotic  
animals and rabbits under the authority of the Agricultural  
Marketing Act of 1946, as amended (7 U.S.C. 1621, et seq.).

FSIS is planning to request an extension of an approved information collection that addresses paperwork requirements for the Public Health Information System - Animal Disposition Reporting, formerly known as the electronic Animal Disease Reporting System, because the OMB approval will expire on June 30, 2013.

In accordance with 9 CFR 320.6, 381.180, 352.15, and 354.91, establishments that slaughter meat, poultry, exotic animals, and rabbits are required to maintain certain records regarding their business operations and to report this information to the Agency as required.

In the Public Health Information System - Animal Disposition Reporting, establishments report (by shift) slaughter totals in number of head and weight by animal category. Poultry slaughter establishments complete FSIS Form 6510-7 after each shift and submit it to the Agency. Other slaughter establishments provide their business records to FSIS to report the necessary information.

FSIS uses this information to plan inspection activities, to develop sampling plans, to target establishments for testing, to develop the Agency budget, and to develop reports to Congress. FSIS also provides this data to other USDA agencies, including the National

Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS), the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS), the Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), and the Grain Inspection, Packers and Stockyards Administration (GIPSA), for their publications and for other functions.

FSIS has made the following estimates on the basis of an information collection assessment:

Estimate of Burden: FSIS estimates that it will take poultry slaughter establishments an average of two minutes per response and other animal slaughter establishments five minutes per response to collect and submit this information to FSIS.

Respondents: Slaughter establishments.

Estimated No. of Respondents: 1,341.

Estimated No. of Annual Responses per Respondent: 500.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 48,350 hours.

Copies of this information collection assessment can be obtained from John O'Connell, Paperwork Reduction Act Coordinator, Food Safety and Inspection Service, USDA, 1400 Independence, SW, Room 6065, South Building, Washington, DC 20250; (202) 720-0345.

Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed

collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of FSIS's functions, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of FSIS's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques, or other forms of information technology. Comments may be sent both to FSIS, at the addresses provided above, and to the Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, DC 20253.

Responses to this notice will be summarized and included in the request for OMB approval. All comments will also become a matter of public record.

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Done at Washington, DC, on: May 20, 2013

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Administrator.

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